

January 1940; (ii) question No. 445 (f) dated 31st March 1939; (iii) question No. 104, 8th December 1938 last of the supplementary questions of Mr. P. Govinda Menon (see page 294 of the Council report, dated 8th December 1938), will the Government be pleased to state.—

- (a) whether they will be pleased to invite the information called for by an early notification in the Gazette and through wider publicity in the leading Malayalam and English dailies and supply the number of unemployed Cochinites who have undergone Teacher's Training Course in any recognised institution, but even now having no post in any Government or aided institution, specifically noting the (i) age, (ii) whether graduate or under-graduate, (iii) whether holder of degree or diploma or certificate in Teacher's training, (iv) whether they are willing to take up to teaching profession;
- (b) whether the Government be pleased to print and place this information on the Council table on the 1st day of the ensuing Meenam sitting of the Council?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*):

- (a) and (b) The Government do not think this is necessary.

TOURING CINEMAS—RESTRICTION REGARDING LICENSING OF

512. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni (*Trichur-South*): Will the Government be pleased to state.—

- (a) whether there are any rules prohibiting the grant of licenses to touring cinemas within a small radius of permanent theatres or restricting the same;
- (b) if so, what is the rule regarding the distance;
- (c) whether such a rule or a rule similar to it exists in any other Native State or in British India;
- (d) will the Government be pleased to state the number of permanent cinemas in Ernakulam and in Trichur?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*):

- (a) and (b) Government have issued orders prohibiting the location of temporary and touring theatres within a radius of 1 mile from the permanent theatres.

(c) Government have no information.

(d) There are 2 permanent cinema theatres in Trichur and 1 in Ernakulam.

DIWAN PEISHKAR—CASTE RESTRICTIONS, IF ANY, FOR APPOINTMENT

513. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni (*Trichur-South*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any order, law, either written or unwritten, disentitling non-caste Hindus, X'ians, Muhammadans, etc., from occupying the office of the Diwan Peishkar?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*): There is no such order or law.

HARBOUR JETTY—RESTRICTIONS REGARDING LANDING BY NATIVES, ETC.

514. Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan (*Commerce and Industry*): Will the Government be pleased to state.—

- (a) whether it is a fact that only gazetted officers and Europeans can take their private boats and launches to the jetty in front of the Administrative Office;
- (b) if so, under whose orders is this practice legalised and the motive which prompted this;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that even very respectable subjects of the State are thereby precluded from using this jetty in the ordinary course?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*):

- (a) No. Any *bona fide* representative may use the jetty if strictly on business affairs with the Port.
- (b) & (c) Do not arise.

PORT RAILWAY—RATES

515. Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan (*Commerce and Industry*): Will the Government be pleased to state.—

- (a) whether the rate fixed or proposed to be fixed for passengers and goods over the Port Railway (from Ernakulam to the Island) is the same as that usually charged by the South Indian Railway;
- (b) if not, what is the rate fixed or proposed?